

**DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
FOR A
SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT**

AGENCY: Department of Behavioral Health

CONTRACTORS: Evidence Based Associates (EBA) Inc.

CONTRACT NUMBER: CW55513

TERM OF CONTACT: Date of Award through September 30, 2018

CAPTION: Implementation and Sustainability Support for Families First Program that includes nine Evidence Based Practices.

1. **AUTHORITY:**

D.C. Official Code §2-354.04, 27 DCMR §1304, §1700 and §1701

2. **MINIMUM NEED:**

The Government of the District of Columbia (District), Office of Contracting and Procurement (OCP) on behalf of the Department of Behavioral Health (DBH), requires a Contractor to provide specialized subject matter experts in the sustainability of DBH approved evidence based practice models including Functional Family Therapy (FFT); Parent Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT); Trauma Focus Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT); Multi-Systemic Therapy; Multi-Systemic Therapy for youth with Problem Sexual Behavior (MST-PSB); Child Parent Psychotherapy for Family Violence (CPP-FV); Trauma Systems Therapy (TST); Transition to Independence (TIP) and Adolescent Community Reinforcement Approach (A-CRA). Contractor services will support the specialized needs of children and youth in need of Behavioral Health services that are uniquely tailored for the Consumer.

Service delivery shall also include the Contractor to obtain and utilize EBP model surveyors for all models within the Families First Project, possessing a national level knowledge on EBP implementation and systems change strategies. Contractor shall also coordinate and deliver the specialized trainings which include proprietary and copyrighted materials; perform data collection; execute dashboard presentations; compile monthly reports and fidelity monitoring. Contractor services shall also include providing technical assistance on programmatic infrastructure to support longevity of EBP.

3. **ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:**

Total Estimated Reasonable Price is not to exceed the amount of \$800,000.00 for the period of one year from date of award. The price shall cover all costs associated with the Families First project; training costs, specialized and approved technical assistance for the Provider community, delivering required deliverables and consultation services. The pricing is competitive in comparison to historical pricing for similar services for customized behavioral health training, consultation and technical assistance. The training will support the technical assistance needs for all of DBH certified providers who are certified and must deliver behavioral health services utilizing a evidence based model.

4. **FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:**

Evidence-Based Associates (EBA) contract is uniquely qualified as a result of their expertise and understanding of the District's behavioral health public healthcare system.

The Contractor (EBA) has evidence and resources to deliver specialized training models and meet the agency requirements in the time frame required at a competitive price.

EBA is uniquely positioned as a service coordinator and project management entity that partners with child-serving government agencies to continue the implementation and support of evidence-based programs for at risk children, youth, and families.

Contractor has over eight (8) years of experience and has achieved the following:

- High fidelity system-wide implementation of top-tier evidence-based programs across the District;
- Deliver 3d training and certification of a large workforce of clinical staff;
- Very high (80+%) utilization of nearly all community-based programs.

The Contractor (EBA) professional experience includes working with industry recognized partners and programs to include the following: Parent Child Interactive Therapy, STARS Behavioral Health Group for Transition to Independence Project; New York University for Trauma Systems Therapy; and the University of Maryland at Baltimore for Child Parent Psychotherapy for Family Violence and Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy.

5. **CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD:**

I hereby certify that the above findings are true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Dr. Tanya Royster
Director

Date

6. **CERTIFICATION BY CONTRACTING OFFICER:**

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that sufficient funds are available, as certified by the Agency Fiscal Officer, that the prices proposed are fair and reasonable and that therefore, it is in the best interest to justify the use of the sole source method of procurement under the cited authority. I certify that the notice of intent to award a sole source contract was published in accordance with 27

DCMR 1304 and. Also, I recommend that the Chief Procurement Officer approve the use of the sole source procurement method for this proposed contract.

Margaret T. Desper, CPPB
Contracting Officer

Date

Wil Giles
Chief Contracting Officer

Date

DETERMINATION

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the cited authority, I hereby determine that it is not feasible or practical to invoke the competitive solicitation process under either Section 402 or 403 of the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code § 2-354.04). Accordingly, I determine that the District is justified in using the sole source method of procurement.

George A. Schutter III
Chief Procurement Officer
Office of Contracting and Procurement

Date